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SERIAL NO: 10/716,463

EXAMINER: DANG, DUY M.

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**APPLICATION OF PREVIOUSLY PAID ISSUE FEE IN
ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 1308.01 MPEP**

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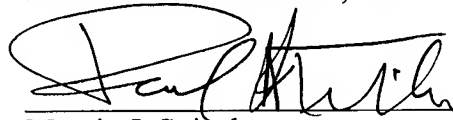
Sir:

The above-identified application was withdrawn from Issue after payment of the Issue Fee in the amount of \$1,743.00 (Issue Fee \$1,440.00 + Pub. Fee \$300.00 + Adv. Patent Copy \$3.00).

The application has now been allowed again and since a refund of the previously paid Issue Fee has not been requested, it is now requested that the previously paid Issue Fee be applied to the Issue Fee being paid herewith. Enclosed herewith is a copy of the Petition Granted.

Respectfully Submitted,

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OFFICE OF PETITIONS

In re Application of :
Taku Kodama et al :
Application No. 10/716,463 : **DECISION GRANTING PETITION**
Filed: November 20, 2003 : **UNDER 37 CFR 1.313(c)(2)**
Attorney Docket No. 245648US2 :

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.313(c)(2), filed April 4, 2008, to withdraw the above-identified application from issue after payment of the issue fee.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The above-identified application is withdrawn from issue for consideration of a submission under 37 CFR 1.114 (request for continued examination). See 37 CFR 1.313(c)(2).

Petitioner is advised that the issue fee paid on March 10, 2008 cannot be refunded. If, however, this application is again allowed, petitioner may request that it be applied towards the issue fee required by the new Notice of Allowance.

Telephone inquiries should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3208.

This application is being referred to Technology Center AU 2624 for processing of the request for continued examination under 37 CFR 1.114 and for consideration of the concurrently filed IDS.

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¹ The request to apply the issue fee to the new Notice may be satisfied by completing and returning the new Part B – Fee(s) Transmittal Form (along with any balance due at the time of submission). Petitioner is advised that the Issue Fee Transmittal Form must be completed and timely submitted to avoid abandonment of the application.